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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of: )  
FUMIAKI ITO, et al. )  
Application No.: 09/817,345 )  
Filed: March 27, 2001 )  
For: VOICE BROWSER SYSTEM )  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and which are listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(ii), effective October 21, 2004, a copy of the U.S. patent document (1) is not provided. A copy of each of the documents (2) to (4) is enclosed.

- (1) U.S. Patent No. 6,249,764
- (2) Japan 11-282648
- (3) Japan 11-161465
- (4) Japan 10-154063

These documents were cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to the above-identified U.S. application. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is enclosed.

An English-language abstract for each of the above-listed Japanese documents has been located and is enclosed. In addition, reference (1) is believed to be an English-language counterpart to reference (2).

The Japanese Office Action also cites Japan 11-110186, which was previously cited in the June 7, 2001 Information Disclosure Statement.

With respect to documents (3) and (4), an individual qualifying under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 (c) makes the following statement of relevance:

(3) Japan 11-161465: This document discloses that a WWW server combines audio data prepared on a client and audio data stored in the WWW server in advance. The WWW server stores the combined audio data with applying a URL to the combined audio data. This document relates to support to make a Web page containing audio contents.

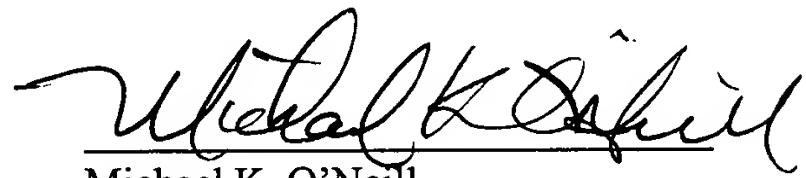
(4) Japan 10-154063: This document discloses that an apparatus between a WWW server and a client extracts a description regarding a link from a hyper text transmitted from the WWW server, executes morphological analysis to the description for obtaining voice recognition object words for the description, adds the voice recognition object words to the hyper text, and transmits the hyper text to the client. When a user inputs commands by voice to the client, the client executes voice recognition using the voice recognition object words. This document relates to add the voice recognition object words to a hyper text.

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action since filing a Request For Continued Examination on April 18, 2005, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the

Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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